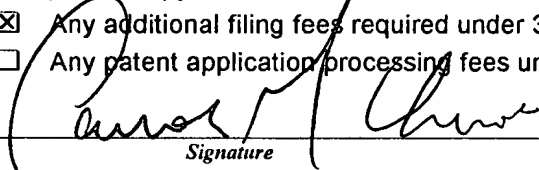
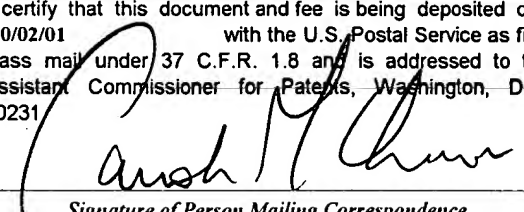


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please enter the following amendments in connection with the referenced patent application. A check in the amount of \$440.00 to cover the new claims 21 through 60 is enclosed.

AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

Please add claims 21 through 60 to the present application as set forth below.

21. (New) An electronic network for managing offer transactions, the network comprising:

one or more maintenance files, each maintenance file including one or more distributed offers, and each distributed offer having at least one offer property, at least one condition, and at least one reward;

a router to distribute the one or more distributed offers to one or more point-of-sale systems;

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